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###### Night Session of State Democratic Convention May Be Held To End Work.

HOUSTON, TEX., Aug. 9.—The state democratic convention spent all afternoon today in a fight over seating the Ferguson delegates from a number of contested counties. The contestants were completely routed. The platform committee spent most of the morning putting the finishing touches to the platform to be presented this afternoon to the convention, after which Gov. Ferguson and other state officers who won in the July primary will be formally nominated. The convention may hold a night session in order to complete its business.

###### Summary of Platform.

Following is a summary of the platform as it will go to the convention: A ringing endorsement of the Wilson administration, including a specific approval of the Mexican policy. Heartily approval of the administration of James B. Ferguson. Silent on the Robertson insurance law and the submission of a prohibition amendment to a vote of the people. Demands that all applications for the support and maintenance of all departments of the state government be specifically itemized. Demands the enactment of laws extending the powers of the warehouse commission. Pledges the Democrats of the state to support and liberal policy toward organized labor. Favors eight hour day wherever practicable. Protection of foreign capital invested in Texas guaranteed. Legislature is urged to enact laws to more adequately care for the insane of the state. \$2,000,000 More for Education. A \$2,000,000 appropriation for the extension of the educational system of the state is recommended. The establishment of a state highway committee to be supported by a tax on automobiles is favored. Improvement in the penitentiary law is urged. Favors exempting cotton factories from taxation for a period of ten years. Prohibition of Canebrake Expenses. Urging a law defining the purpose for which candidates for public offices may spend money and requiring greater possible publicity of all campaign expenses. More liberal appropriations for the support of the quarantine service is urged. Present fee system is condemned. Liberal and adequate support of the livestock sanitary committee is favored. Home owning and home building is encouraged. The enlargement of the state range is favored. Convention Is Organized. The convention Tuesday perfected a permanent organization and adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning to give committees time to prepare the convention program. Permanent committees caucused Tuesday night on a platform, the prohibition submission question, woman suffrage and on questions of local interest. Anti-Prohibitionists won the first victory of the convention in the selection of state senators. D. E. Decker of Quanah, chairman of the convention, the chief fight of the convention, it was predicted, would be over a plan in the platform providing for a statewide prohibition.

###### TEXAS REPUBLICANS NAME CREAGER FOR GOVERNOR

San Antonio, Tex., Aug. 9.—Texas Republicans in state convention Tuesday nominated R. E. Creager, former collector of customs at Brownsville, for governor. Other nominations were: United States senator—Dr. W. A. Atter, Dallas; congressman at large—Charles W. Warren, Houston; and M. A. Taylor, Bonham. The platform declares for the present principles enunciated by Charles F. Hughes in his speech accepting the Republican nomination for president and severely criticizes the policies of both the state and national Democratic administrations.

###### PROHIBITIONISTS OF TEXAS NAME THEIR CANDIDATES.

Dallas, Texas, Aug. 9.—At the Prohibition party state convention held Tuesday the Rev. H. W. Lewis of Dallas was nominated for governor. Dr. J. R. Richardson of Seymour, for lieutenant governor, and E. H. Corns of Dallas for United States senator. P. F. Paige of Dallas, was named state chairman.

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Chicago, Ill., Aug. 9.—Wheat prices shot upward eight cents a bushel today right at the start. December option touched \$1.45 on first trading as against 1.37 at Tuesday's finish, and soared up to \$1.50. Sensational crop damage, confirmed by the government report, was the cause of the extraordinary advance. So much excitement ruled in the pit that transactions in many cases were three cents apart at the same instant. The initial range on December varied from \$1.42 to \$1.45. Jumps in the value of other options than December, although radical, were not quite so severe. Taken as a whole, the market opened 5 to 8 cents higher, and when relative steadiness was established showed 5 3/4 to 6 3/4 cents gains as compared with Tuesday's close.

In later dealings, the May delivery rose to the phenomenal price of \$1.50 a bushel, an extreme advance of 1 1/4 cents over Tuesday's final figures, and 46 3/4 cents up as compared with the price at the corresponding time a year ago.

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Compulsory vaccination is proceeding rapidly throughout the republic. In the state of Guanajuato 3600 persons have been vaccinated.

The government has agreed to the remission of a portion of the taxes, amounting to 1,000,000 pesos, levied on the Puebla cotton mills. These mills, which employ thousands of operatives, will remain open.

Gen. Carranza has contributed 26,000 pesos for equipment for athletic games on Independence day, September 16.

The finance department Tuesday issued a circular interpreting the decree which provides for the nullification of all court and notarial acts under the Huerta and conventionist governments. The circular provides that the validity of such acts may be terminated by mutual agreement. In cases in which such agreements are not reached nullification will be given in each instance.

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Hereafter the motor trucks have worn a dark, warship gray. They will be put in tone with the desert as they report in here from the expeditionary base.

###### 22,000 CARRANZA TROOPS IN NORTH MEXICO, SAYS OREGON

Mexico City, Mex., Aug. 9.—Gen. Alvaro Obregon, minister of war, said Tuesday there are about 22,000 Carranza troops in Sonora, Chihuahua and Tamaulipas, exclusive of those on the border. He added that these forces were being increased as the occasion demanded.

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##### Secretary Lane Will Head American Commission; Justice Brandeis Is Another Member, While Third Remains to Be Selected; Border Relations Will Be Discussed First, It Is Announced.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 9.—Formal announcement was made today by acting secretary of Gen. Carranza's proposal for a joint international commission to seek a solution of border disputes and to discuss other matters which may clarify relations between the United States and Mexico.

###### Secretary Lane, of the Interior Department, will head the American commission, supported by associate justice Louis D. Brandeis of the supreme court, and a third commissioner, whose name will be announced later. A telegram asking the third man to serve was sent today by president Wilson and his name will not be disclosed until his acceptance is received.

The Mexican commissioners were named some days ago. Luis Cabrera, minister of finance in the Carranza government, heading the delegation. This made necessary the appointment of a member of president Wilson's cabinet in the American commission.

###### Carranza in Complete Accord.

Today's announcement followed a brief conference between Mr. Folk and Mr. Arredondo, Carranza's ambassador designate. Final assurance was given by Mr. Arredondo that Gen. Carranza was in complete accord with suggestions of the Washington government that the discussions of the commission should be given the broadest possible scope. The ambassador said that his government regarded its recent note as a full answer and acceptance of secretary Polk's suggestions that the scope be broadened.

###### Will Take Up Border Questions.

As it begins its task the commission will be required first to reach some conclusion on the specific points outlined by Gen. Carranza in his original proposal. The first subject treated under this view would be the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico, to be followed by negotiations of a protocol covering future military operations along the border. Since these two points are closely interwoven it is believed the commission will couple them together in whatever recommendations it has to make.

###### To Investigate Interventionists.

The immediate military situation on the border disposed of, the commission will be ready to proceed with its remaining specific task, investigation to determine whether interests desiring intervention have inspired border raids. It is believed the commission will be left to map out its own course in tracing the source of these raids. Without doubt, it will have power to travel to the border, or if necessary, into Mexico in following up its inquiry.

###### Mexicans Pleased With Brandeis.

There have been intimations that American insistence upon broadening the scope of the commission's powers has been due to the hope that a way of giving constructive aid to the Carranza government could be found.

Secretary Lane has been in close touch with the Mexican situation ever since he entered the cabinet. Mexicans here are known to be well pleased with the selection of justice Brandeis. They believe he has a natural sympathy with the purposes of the revolutionary movement in Mexico.

###### GERMANS MAKE HARD ATTACKS TAKES GORZA

Paris, France, Aug. 9.—"North of the river Somme, last night was marked by violent counter attacks on the part of the enemy against the positions conquered by us yesterday and the day before north of the Hem wood. They cost the Germans heavy losses and were repulsed except at one point, where the enemy succeeded in recouping one of our trenches. A French attack resulted in the recapture of a larger part of the lost ground. Our advance is being actively continued with hand grenades," says today's official statement, which adds:

"Between the Hem wood and the river the Germans have been bombarded by heavy caliber shells. The French positions which we were organizing."

###### WOMAN'S BODY RELEASED FROM ICE SLIDE BY BLAST

Colorado Springs, Colo., Aug. 9.—The body of Mrs. Harvey Bennett, who, with her husband, a miner, of Colorado Springs, was killed by a snowslide at Silverton January 5 last, has been recovered by a rescue gang and brought to this city for interment.

The body was found on a mountain side and with his wife occupied a cabin on the side of the mountain down which the slide ran. The slide started without warning and the couple did not have a chance to escape. Bennett's body was found soon after the accident.

Bennett's body was in perfect condition, having been frozen. To recover the body it was necessary for the rescuers to blast off their way through forty feet of ice, snow and debris.

###### RESTRICTS VOTING POWER OF INSURANCE COMPANY MEMBERS

Austin, Tex., Aug. 9.—It was held today by the attorney general's department in an opinion to the commissioner of insurance and banking, that bylaws of a mutual fire insurance company cannot provide that a member of the company can have a vote for each policy which he has on a separate risk, but that a member can have only one vote; also that the surplus required of a mutual fire company cannot be limited by the bylaws; that such mutual companies are also subject to all the laws governing stock fire insurance companies in so far as applicable are not in conflict with the mutual fire insurance act. These mutuality are also subject to the valued policy law and the antirebate law.

###### BOYES SELL INTEREST IN DALHART BANK; BUY RANCH

Dalhart, Tex., Aug. 9.—Controlling interest in the Midway Bank and Trust Co. has been sold by W. N. Boye, and associates by the purchase of the stock of J. H. and L. H. Boye, Rob Duke and Eugene Logan. The Boye brothers have sold their interest in the bank in order to engage on an extensive scale in the cattle business. They have bought the Dalhart ranch and additional land south of town.

###### LIFE PRISONER ELECTED HEAD OF GALLIC LEAGUE

London, Eng., Aug. 9.—A dispatch from Dublin, Ireland, says Prof. John MacNeill, who was president of the Sinn Fein league, and is now serving a life sentence because of his participation in the uprising, has been elected president of the Gaelic League. He succeeds Dr. Douglas Hyde, who has been president of the organization since its formation in 1902.

###### INJURY AND PANIC RESULTS FROM FLAMES IN A CAR

New York, Aug. 9.—The blowing out of a fuse in a car of an east-bound electric passenger train of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad as it was leaving the city today set the car on fire, injured one woman passenger and caused a panic among the others.

###### FORMER SENATOR THURSTON DEAD

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 9.—John M. Thurston, former senator from Nebraska and nationally prominent Republican, died here at 4 o'clock this morning. He had been critically ill for four weeks, following a heart prostration, and his death had been momentarily expected for several days.

#### FLOOD PARALYZED BY

##### Million Dollar Property Loss Is Reported From Ravages of Torrent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 9.—Property loss exceeding \$1,000,000 was caused by a cloudburst that swept down Cabin Creek valley this morning, according to a report received here and rumors were persistent that more than two score of persons had been drowned at Acme, W. Va. These rumors were denied by officials of the Acme Coal company.

###### Many Bridges Washed Out.

Six bridges on the Chesapeake and Ohio railway are reported to have been washed out and in a number of places the tracks are said to have been swept from the right of way. The Kanawha and Michigan road other roads in the valley also suffered heavily. Wire communication with the Cabin Creek valley district is paralyzed.

###### Efforts to get into communication with the stricken district were unavailable. Just as a connection was made with the telephone operator at Esksdale she shouted into the telephone: "I can't stay here and talk to you. I've got to leave right away."

###### 100 Reported Dead.

Reports were received at Montgomery that at least 100 persons had lost their lives, but confirmation was lacking. It was stated that the same report was persistent.

Chesapeake & Ohio division offices here were unable to learn the fate of their trains in this district when the last wire went down at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon.

###### Teutons, By Violent Combat, Succeed in Penetrating Lines at Various Points.

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###### 10,000 Austrians Taken and Cavalry Pursues Others Beyond the Isonzo.

Rome, Italy, Aug. 9.—Italian troops entered the Austrian city of Gorizia this morning the war office announced today. Thus far 10,000 Austrians have been captured.

Italian troops have crossed the Isonzo in the vicinity of Gorizia and consolidated the positions on the farther bank, the war office announced today. Occupation of the heights west of Gorizia has been completed. Italian cavalry is pursuing the Austrians beyond the river.

###### Austrians Abandon Positions.

London, Eng., Aug. 9.—The Austrians, pursued by Italian cavalry, have abandoned nearly all their principal positions on the Isonzo and Carrafronts, following the taking of the Gorizia bridgehead by the Italians, according to a wireless dispatch from Rome this afternoon.

###### 23 ARE KILLED BY ZEPPELIN ATTACK

London, Eng., Aug. 9.—Hostile airships crossed the east coast of England at an early hour today and made an attack, killing many people, according to an official announcement.

The official communication adds: "At several places the airships were engaged by anti-aircraft guns and driven off from their objectives. Reports received up to the present show that three women and one child were killed and 14 persons injured. No damage of military importance is reported."

A subsequent statement said 23 casualties occurred and 150 bombs were dropped by seven to ten zeppelins.

###### Likes His Herald Bicycle

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#### RAILWAY DISPUTE MAY BE ENDED

##### Federal Board Immediately Begins Effort To Find Basis For Settlement.

##### BOTH SIDES MAY MAKE CONCESSIONS

##### Managers and Representatives of Brotherhoods Agree To Accept Mediation.

##### NEW YORK, Aug. 9.—Proffered services of the United States board of mediation and conciliation having been accepted by both the railroad managers and the brotherhoods of employees today, the mediation board began work immediately this afternoon to find a basis for amicable adjustment of difficulties existing between the railroads and the unions concerned. The latter are demanding an eight hour day and time and a half for overtime. The strike has been at least temporarily averted, it was announced.

The announcement was made as a result of a meeting today between representatives of the railway managers and of the brotherhoods. At the meeting Tuesday the managers were warned the parleys were drawing to a close and were futile unless the railroads had something new to offer. An adjournment was taken to today to allow the railroads to consider further courses of action.

Tuesday the commissioners of the board of conciliation and mediation left Washington and arrived in New York last night, ready to offer their services to avert a strike.

###### Garretson Announces Acceptance.

Announcement of the acceptance of the offer was made by A. B. Garretson, head of the conductors' brotherhood, after it had been delivered by G. W. W. Hanger, a member of the board, following an appeal to that body to intervene made today by the national conference of railroad managers.

Mr. Garretson said he had informed the board that the offer was accepted on the condition that "its good offices are promptly exercised."

###### Begin Conferences at Once.

The federal board, which is composed of Mr. Hanger, Martin A. Knapp and Judge W. L. Chambers, was prepared to begin conferences with the respective sides to the controversy before night, it was understood, although at the time of Mr. Garretson's announcement the board had not been officially informed of the acceptance.

###### Acceptance By Brotherhoods.

"The federal board of mediation and conciliation has notified us," read Mr. Garretson's statement, "that it has received the request of the managers conference committee to exercise its friendly offices in an effort to bring about an amicable settlement of the questions that exist between the conference committee of the managers and ourselves. Our answer was to the effect that we would accept the mediator's proffer of their friendly offices provided it was promptly exercised."

###### Meet Each Side Separately.

The procedure of the federal board is to meet each side separately, learn their attitude and then attempt to obtain concessions from each as a basis on which a settlement can be reached when they are again brought together.

After the delivery of the brotherhoods' acceptance of the offer, the federal board, the mediators made arrangements.

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###### Many British Captured.

Berlin, Germany, Aug. 9.—Attacks by the British and French north of the river Somme have been checked with heavy losses to the assaulting forces, the war office announced today. Nearly 400 British were taken prisoner and six of their machine guns captured.

###### Other Places Bombarded.

Further north on the night of August 8-9 other French airplanes threw down at shells upon the railroad stations at Audun-le-Roman, Longuevion and Montmedy and 48 shells upon the railroad line at Metzger and the station at La Fere.

###### THE DAY IN CONGRESS.

Senate.  
Began debate on government shipping bill.  
Finance committee Democrats continued consideration of revenue bill.  
House.  
Considered conference report on army appropriation bill.

# Some Men Resign and Some Are Resigned; Hughes Has Taken Off The Lid